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Please file the enclosed Small Entity Statement in the above-identified patent application.

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- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been [] established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.
- A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and [x]1.27 is enclosed.

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